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(SBU) On May 8, a member of Arab League Secretary General Moussa's cabinet staff told poloffs that the League was heavily engaged in the ongoing political strife in the Comoros Islands, one of the League's 22 member states. The head of the AL Secretariat's Office of African Affairs, Samir Hosni, was traveling to the Comoros on May 8 to "mediate" between the disputing parties. We will seek a read-out of Hosni's efforts upon his return. The League has not yet taken any public positions on the conflict in the Comoros.

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